

**MINUTES OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING HELD
ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 14, 2017 AT 6:00 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL
CHAMBERS**

MAYOR: Tonita Gurulé-Girón

COUNCILORS: Vincent Howell
David A. Ulibarri, Jr.
David L. Romero
Barbara A. Casey

ALSO PRESENT: Richard Trujillo, City Manager
Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk
Corinna Laszlo-Henry, City Attorney
Chris Lopez, Sergeant at Arms

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Councilor Romero asked for a moment of silence in honor of all our Veterans.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve the agenda as presented. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve the minutes for October 11th and October 16th, 2017 as amended (corrections sent to City Clerk). Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS/REPORTS

Mayor Gurulé-Girón advised that there were no reports at this time and stated that appointments did not have to be made at this time due to committees remaining the same.

MAYOR'S RECOGNITIONS/PROCLAMATIONS

City Clerk Fresquez read a proclamation on behalf of Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón along with members of the Governing Body honoring the late Mayor Tony Martinez, Jr. who had passed away on October 31st, 2017, proclaiming November 14, 2017 as "Mayor Tony Martinez, Jr. Day in the City of Las Vegas".

Mayor Gurulé-Girón presented the proclamation to Anthony Martinez, son of Mayor Tony Martinez, Jr., thanked him for being there and stated that Tony was very well liked and respected by the community and was also a good friend.

Mr. Martinez thanked everyone for the honor, on behalf of his father.

PUBLIC INPUT

Lorenzo Flores briefly spoke regarding several funding issues for projects within the City of Las Vegas brought on from the previous administration and criticized Councilors Howell, Casey and Romero for not addressing many issues in helping the City's youth, jobs, housing issues and the lack of economic development in the City. Mr. Flores stated that the focus should be on moving the City forward and he informed that the recall for Councilor Casey was still in process.

Wid Slick informed that Las Vegas won the national contest for the "Best Historic Preservation Towns in America" and informed that in order to win, Las Vegas advertised in Albuquerque by way of social media and publicity using billboards, digital billboards, ads on smart phones and three TV stations. Mr. Slick advised that it was important for Las Vegas to make known to the City of Albuquerque that the City of Las Vegas won for the "Best Historic Preservation Town in America" resulting in having many visitors from Albuquerque in the next year.

Yolanda Cruz spoke on the issues in our community regarding alcohol and opioid addiction and advised she had worked with the County jail and District Attorney's office in assisting people to seek treatment and hoped that the upcoming presentation would be well received, as it was at the recent County Commission Meeting and thanked the Governing Body for putting the community first.

Bob Pearson spoke in detail explaining what refugees are and their needs and advised that they had a new resolution with material added so that hopefully it would clarify some points that proved problematic in the past and that they hoped to persuade the Governing Body to pass a resolution to welcome refugees. Mr. Pearson expressed that we should stand in solidarity with those cities which were able to resettle refugees and that it was getting more difficult due to new restrictions being imposed by President Trump, regarding refugees. Mr. Pearson stated that it was our job to urge our Legislatures and our Governments at the local, State and Federal level to do more to welcome refugees.

Carrol Pearson read two stories on the subject of the cruel treatment of refugees and hoped that the Governing body would remember them at the time of reconsidering the refugee resolution. Mrs. Pearson asked for the support of Council members in other parts of New Mexico who have the ability to welcome

refugees and explained why refugees and their families were fleeing their countries. Mrs. Pearson advised that it was important to stand in solidarity with those in our state who have the ability, courage and sense of justice to accept and welcome refugees from the terror in their countries and asked Council to please remember these stories when reconsidering the new refugee resolution.

PRESENTATIONS

Presentation by Matthew McCarley of Fears Nachawati Law Firm and Matthew Daniel of the Ferrer, Poirot, Wansbrough Law Firm, and former DEA agent, Jonathan Novak, on national lawsuit against the pharmaceutical companies that distribute opioids. Mr. Daniel informed that they would speak on the opioid epidemic in Las Vegas. The presentation overview included:

- Opioid Painkiller
- Prescribed Opioids
- Opioid Addiction Impact
- Death due to Opioid Overdose
- Likelihood of Addiction
- Prescription Opioid Sales & Deaths (1999-2013)
- Oxycodone consumption 2015
- Distributors and Drugstores
- Drug Manufacturer of Opioids (2016 Revenues)

A complete copy of presentation information may be obtained at City of Las Vegas City Clerk's Office.

Matthew McCarley advised that they were there to encourage the City to take action to join in litigation against the protection of manufacturers and distributors of opioids and to hold them accountable for their roles in creating the current opioid epidemic and informed that the San Miguel County was going to be involved in doing so.

City Attorney Corinna Laszlo-Henry agreed that Las Vegas had been hit very hard with the opioid addiction and stated that if this was something that Council would like to consider, her department could prepare an RFP that would be similar to the standard retainer agreement that the County was using and would advertise to the public to acquire a qualified firm.

Councilor Casey asked if the preparation for approval process used with Mora County could be explained.

Mr. McCarley advised that they did not necessarily agree with the way Mora County handled the process and stated that every county had its own cases and should be looked upon their own merits. Mr. McCarley informed that they would be working with the New Mexico State Attorney General's Office which would be more effective together than separate.

Councilor Howell stated that he felt that something should be done in the City and County, however felt more clarification on the process was needed.

Mr. McCarley informed that he had detailed information on the process to provide the Governing Body.

Discussion took place regarding the process and steps taken before moving forward with this agreement.

Councilor Howell asked what the benefits were to the community if the firms would win the litigation.

Mr. McCarley informed that in tobacco litigation millions of dollars had been set aside for education and the same would take place regarding drugs and explained that the most important benefit from the litigation action would be educating the community, especially our youth.

Short discussion took place regarding the timeline of the process of litigation.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked City Attorney Laszlo-Henry to prepare a presentation regarding the pros and cons of the litigation and also a timeline schedule no later than January.

City Attorney Laszlo-Henry advised that she thought it was a contingency agreement and would be low risk for the City and that it should be up to the Governing Body as to how to designate any potential recovery to address the needs of the community.

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

City Manager Trujillo reported on various accomplishments that had been discussed at the City Retreat and advised they had been working with Parks, Streets and maintenance crews to maintain the beauty of our parks and would be leaving the Christmas lights throughout the year which had been well received by the community.

City Manager Trujillo reported that the City was also continuing to be responsible regarding water conservation and would continue due to experiencing the extended drought. He added that they would be working on investigating water leaks and closely working with customers for possible leaks in homes and businesses.

City Manager Trujillo advised that the City had conducted a quarterly community clean-up program with the help of volunteers and have collaborated with the Hermit's Peak Watershed Alliance on cleaning the river walk, various parks and medians.

City Manager Trujillo informed that they were filling potholes every Tuesday and Thursday and that every ward had been addressed and added that Luv's Truck Stop would be breaking ground at the end of the month, bringing in jobs and tourists to the City.

City Manager Trujillo reported that the City was working with MainStreet to improve streets and buildings and would be moving forward with a Vacant Building Ordinance. He added that they were working with the Entrepreneur program in creating small businesses and also doing the best that they could in regards to working with non-profit organizations. City Manager Trujillo informed of a decorating competition previously held for businesses at the time of the Boo Fest and gave the winner free advertisement on the City's Reader Board for helping promote Las Vegas. He advised that events would continue and spoke of the success of the "Salute to our Troops" event which would be held annually.

City Manager Trujillo informed that the City was looking into reducing the complexity of business regulations regarding starting a business and knew the challenges would be there when the City lost its Building Inspector last year. He informed that they had commitments from CID and the Fire Marshall's Office in moving forward with permits and licenses and making it easier on the customer

as recommended by Mayor and Council. He commended the Community Development staff as well as Planning and Zoning Coordinator Maria Perea for her hard work in taking on the job of helping the community in explaining the process of obtaining permits and licensing and praised her for the amount of permits and licensing she had generated for the City.

City Manager Trujillo reported that a Municipal Airport Committee had been created as recommended by Councilor Howell and added that they were including them with different funding that have been applied for and listening to their recommendations.

City Manager Trujillo advised that they were establishing a group of community stakeholders to work with City Manager and Department Directors to implement strategies, critical situations and to accomplish the objectives such as flooding and advised that they had been working closely with the San Miguel County Public Works and had previously worked with them during the last flooding situation.

City Manager Trujillo informed that a Symposium was held with the City of Las Vegas, San Miguel County, Alta Vista Regional Hospital, the schools and other representatives to consolidate resources with much success. He advised that they were working with San Miguel County on an MOU to address the drug issues, to obtain funding from the County for our senior citizens and stated how important it was to make sure we help our schools in whatever they were promoting. He advised that this symposium helped in bringing the attention to many issues that need to be addressed to improve our community.

City Manager Trujillo reported that they were also working with the County on a joint agreement regarding ambulance services for less cost and also for a training center for our Fire Fighters and First Responders. He informed that the City needed to improve the financial condition of City Government, identify GRT and make sure outside contractors working in Las Vegas pay the City's tax. City Manager Trujillo stated that it was important to identify strategies to sustain currently funded programs that may be jeopardized from declining general fund revenues and added that he was alarmed by the amount that the City pays for insurance coverage, which affects the General Fund.

City Manager Trujillo felt that addressing safety issues should be more aggressive and they would be bringing the City's safety manual to Mayor and Council for amendments that would be followed by all departments to hopefully decrease amounts to insurance coverage. He asked Directors to create an emergency operation plans for their departments (buildings), to identify problems early and avoid higher costs from General Fund.

City Manager Trujillo reported that they were working on revenues for the Enterprise Fund by utilizing a leak survey company identifying leaks and informed that they had already repaired thirteen leaks. He advised that they were establishing stronger collaboration with community organizations to promote positive behavior including culture, customer service both in the business and government.

City Manager Trujillo stated that they were addressing the transparency issue by working with the IT department stating that they implemented a program called the "Help Desk" which generates a work order that goes directly to Public Works Department from a Smart phone. He informed of the Mobile 311 feature that the IT department was implementing which would also be available on a Smart phone app and that it would manage Municipal work orders now being used by the Water and Parks Departments. City Manager Trujillo added that the City was in the process of transitioning from Microsoft Office to Zia Link email hosting of G-Suite that would simplify the City's email domain, also resolving many issues with email messaging. He advised that taking place was also intranet design program, infrastructure improvements (transition from previous Motorola canopy to air fiber), website improvements regarding transparency, live streaming of City Council meetings. He stated that he was very proud of the steps that the IT department had taken in being in tune with new technology.

City Manager Trujillo stated that Media Arts Coordinator Virginia Marrujo had helped the City of Las Vegas move forward with advertising and advised that a New Mexico True issue would feature a two page event spread, and also they were currently working on placing billboards on the interstate, north and south and added that the Community Development Department continued to work on marketing the City of Las Vegas.

City Manager Trujillo advised that establishing another follow-up of Symposium would be taking place soon. He informed that the drug problem in the City of Las Vegas needed to be addressed with the help of Commander Chris Lopez and would continue to have public meetings to discuss solving drug problems, treatment and outpatient programs that would benefit our community. City Manager Trujillo commended the City's Department Directors and all City employees for their pride and efforts in improving the City of Las Vegas.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón thanked City Manager Trujillo and all City staff for their efforts in moving the City forward.

FINANCE REPORT

Finance Director Ann Marie Gallegos presented the Finance Report for the month ending, October 31, 2017, reporting 31% revenue for the General Fund and added that the departments have maintained expenses and expenditures were at 29%.

Finance Director Gallegos reported the Recreation Department revenue at 28% and expenditures at 29% and stated that concession stands and fees at YABL games have been added to help increase revenue.

Finance Director Gallegos advised that the Enterprise Funds revenue was at 28% and added that gas revenues would be coming in with the colder months and reported that the expenditure total was 26%.

Councilor Howell asked if there were any updates regarding the Hold Harmless Tax.

Finance Director Gallegos advised that she and City Manager Trujillo had attended seminars given by the New Mexico Tax and Revenue Department and she would be attending budget workshops that would hopefully have Hold Harmless updates although stated that it would be up to the City to maintain that percentage and calculate the Hold Harmless Tax and she would continue to try to get that information.

Councilor Howell asked if the water revenues had seen an increase due to receiving a lot of moisture this year.

Finance Director Gallegos informed that there was an increase during the summer months and informed that there had been some changes in the Enterprise Funds and would see an increase in the spring months.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked questions regarding the changes in the Enterprise Funds.

Finance Director Gallegos advised that its pertaining to the water usage allowance.

City Manager Trujillo advised that they would revisit rates and would have a consultant review rates. He stated that they would try to get people to use more water and that we had storage although not seeing the consumption. City Manager Trujillo informed that due to already being billed at a certain amount and anything above that would cause one to get penalized, he would look into having the consultant possibly raise the limit.

Finance Director Gallegos advised Council that she had included the DFA report which included revenues, expenditures and cash balances and advised them to contact her if they had any questions.

Councilor Howell asked if Lodger's Tax had experienced an increase.

Finance Director Gallegos informed that it was slightly higher due to previous events (4th of July Fiestas and Rough Rider Motorcycle Rally).

Councilor Howell asked if there were any plans for the City to collaborate with Marshall Poole AWC Director to improve the Animal Shelter and added they had infrastructure issues that needed to be addressed.

City Manager Trujillo advised that they would be working with Grant Writer Robert Archuleta to start looking for funding to improve the AWC and by collaborating with them; they should be able to identify some funding sources.

CONSENT AGENDA

City Clerk Fresquez read the Consent Agenda as follows:

1. Approval of Resolution 17-43 Budget Adjustment Resolution.

Resolution 17-43 was presented as follows:

STATE OF NEW MEXICO
MUNICIPALITY OF CITY OF LAS VEGAS
RESOLUTION 17-43
FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018
BUDGET ADJUSTMENT REQUEST

WHEREAS, The Governing Body in and for the Municipality of Las Vegas, State of New Mexico has developed a budget adjustment request for fiscal year 2017-2018; and

WHEREAS, said budget adjustment request was developed on the basis of need and through cooperation with all user departments, elected officials and other department supervisors, please see attached schedule; and

WHEREAS, the City of Las Vegas is in need of making budget adjustments in the 2017-2018 fiscal year budget; to include an increase of \$52,000 for Economic Development, \$5,310 for Veterans Memorial Fund, \$211,750 in Legislative Appropriations for Senior Ctr Vehicles, \$24,750 in Historic Preservation Grant, \$264,490 for Housing Capital Fund Program 2016, \$100,000 for Building Improvements in Street Improvement and \$884,250 in Gas Construction Projects and a decrease of \$25,510 in the Housing Capital Fund Program.

WHEREAS, it is the majority opinion of this governing body that the budget adjustment request is approved and meets the requirements as currently determined for fiscal year 2017-2018;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Governing Body of the Municipality of the City of Las Vegas, State of New Mexico hereby approves the budget adjustment request herein above described and respectfully requests approval from the Local Governing Division of the Department of Finance and Administration.

RESOLVED: In session this 14th day of November, 2017.

Tonita Gurule-Giron, Mayor

ATTEST:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

REVIEWED AND APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY ONLY:

Corrina Lazlo-Henry, City Attorney

2. Approval of Resolution No. 17-40 assigning official representatives and signatory authority for the CWSRF 071 loan agreement with the New Mexico Environment Department.

Resolution 17-40 was presented as follows:

**CITY OF LAS VEGAS
RESOLUTION NO. 17-40**

**A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF LAS VEGAS, NEW MEXICO AUTHORIZING
THE ASSIGNMENT OF AUTHORIZED OFFICER(S), SIGNATORY AUTHORITY(S),
AND AGENT(S)**

WHEREAS, the Governing Body of the City of Las Vegas of San Miguel County of the State of New Mexico shall enter into a loan agreement with the State of New Mexico Environment Department and;

WHEREAS, the City Municipal Charter as adopted March 2, 2012 provides for powers and duties of official City representatives related to succession and;

WHEREAS, the agreement is identified as Project Number CWSRF 071.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the named applicant that:

Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón or her successor is authorized to sign the loan agreement and promissory note for this project, and

City Manager Richard Trujillo and / or Finance Director Ann Marie Gallegos or successors are the AUTHORIZED OFFICER who are authorized to sign all other documents necessary to fulfill the loan agreement and the promissory note requirements and to act as the project contact, and

City Manager Richard Trujillo and / or Finance Director Ann Marie Gallegos or successors are the SIGNATORY AUTHORITY who are authorized to sign reimbursement requests for this project.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this _____ day of _____, 2017.

Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón

ATTEST:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO LEGAL SUFFICIENCY ONLY:

Corinna Laszlo-Henry, City Attorney

Project Name City of Las Vegas

Project No. CWSRF 071

Authorized Officer(s)	
Name	Richard Trujillo, City Manager
Title	
Signature	
Address	1700 North Grand Ave. Las Vegas, NM 87701
E-mail	jmoney@ci.las-vegas.nm.us
Phone	505-454-1401
Name	Ann Marie Gallegos, Finance Director
Title	
Signature	
Address	1700 North Grand Ave. Las Vegas, NM 87701
E-mail	amgallegos@ci.las-vegas.nm.us
Phone	505-454-1401
Name	
Title	
Signature	
Address	
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Name	
Title	
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Phone	

Authorized Agent(s) or Employee(s) for reimbursement requests	
Name	Richard Trujillo, City Manager
Title	
Signature	
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3. Approval of installation of high speed pumps at the water treatment filter plant.

4. Approval to publish Ordinance No. 17-11 to enter into a loan agreement with the New Mexico Environment Department.

5. Approval to publish Ordinance No. 17-12 amending Water Conservation Ordinance.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as read into the record. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes	Vincent Howell	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised the motion carried.

BUSINESS ITEMS

1. Approval/Disapproval of Las Vegas Police Officer's Association (LVPOA) Lodge No. 20 Collective Bargaining Agreement.

Police Commander Chris Lopez advised that he was requesting the approval of changes to LVPOA Lodge No. 20 Collective Bargaining Agreement and added that there was only one change to the contract, which was giving the Officers the ability to write a letter to request the removal of a documented verbal reprimand.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked if City Attorney Laszlo-Henry and City Manager Trujillo took part in negotiations.

Commander Lopez advised that City Attorney Laszlo-Henry was part of the management team and informed that City Manager Trujillo had worked with the Police Department as well.

Councilor Howell asked for clarification on the amendment on the agreement.

Commander Lopez explained that the Officer could make the request to remove the document if there had not been similar infractions within a year's time and if he is able to do so, he would be able to submit a letter asking that the document be removed.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked if the document was a reprimand.

Commander Lopez informed that it was a documented verbal counseling, at the most minor level.

Councilor Howell asked who would make the approval to remove the document.

Commander Lopez explained that after reviewing their personnel file for any other infractions, the Commanding Officer and City of Las Vegas Human Resource Department would remove the document.

Discussion took place regarding the difference between a warning and a reprimand.

Commander Lopez explained that written in the contract and policies are: a verbal reprimand-lower level than a written reprimand. City Manager Trujillo explained that the verbal reprimand would be used for minor infractions (1st Offense)

Brief discussion took place on the process taken for disciplinary action or evaluations, if the documentation is removed.

Councilor Howell made a motion to approve of Las Vegas Police Officer's Association (LVPOA) Lodge No. 20 Collective Bargaining Agreement. Councilor

Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Barbara A. Casey	Abstain	David L. Romero	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

2. Approval/Disapproval of Resolution #17-15 Adopting the updated City of Las Vegas Meadow City Express-Zero Tolerance Substance Abuse Policy.

Community Services Director Pamela Marrujo advised that the Meadow City Express is updating their current policy to reflect updated regulations required by the Federal Transit Administration (FTA) of the US Department of Transportation and added that the red line version of the policy was also included for Council.

Councilor Casey thanked Ms. Marrujo for providing the red line version of the policy which simplified the review.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve Resolution #17-15 adopting the updated City of Las Vegas Meadow City Express-Zero Tolerance Substance Abuse Policy. Councilor Romero seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

3. Approval/Disapproval to accept revised contract for E-911 Grant.

Commander Chris Lopez advised that the Las Vegas Police Department respectfully requests permission to ask for a budget decrease of \$21,500.00 for the Department of public Safety's contract with ISC for maintenance. Commander Lopez advised that he was asked by Bill Rains from DFA for a change in the contract, a decrease of \$21,500.00, and stated that the Police Department was the fiscal agent for this grant however the County and DPS- District II State Police

also utilize funding from the grant. Commander Lopez explained that the grant funds seven dispatchers at State Police although were decreasing to four dispatchers and stated that DPS approved the decrease.

Councilor Howell asked if this decrease would affect any issues that the City would have.

Commander Lopez stated that it would not affect our dispatch center and the only way it involved the Police Department was being part of the grant.

Councilor Howell made a motion to approve to accept revised contract for E-911 Grant. Councilor Casey seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

David L. Romero	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Vincent Howell	Yes	Barbara A. Casey	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

4. Approval/Disapproval of Resolution No. 17-44, 2018 Election Resolution (English and Spanish).

City Clerk Casandra Fresquez advised that as per State Statute §3-8-26, An Election Resolution must be adopted by the Governing Body between 112-84 days prior to an election.

City Clerk Fresquez advised this resolution called for the 2018 election and that this year the date of election was scheduled for March 6, 2018. She informed that the resolution listed particular dates of the 2018 election and advised that the elective offices of Ward 1, Ward 4 and Municipal Judge were all 4 year terms.

City Clerk Fresquez advised that they would have the consolidated precincts which were Robertson High School and West Las Vegas High School Gymnasiums to be utilized by all registered voters, whichever location they chose. She informed that absentee voting would begin on January 30, 2018 and would also begin mailing out absentee ballots on that day. City Clerk Fresquez advised that early voting would start on February 14, 2018 and that City Offices would be open

on Saturday, February 24, 2018, 8:00-5:00 (open through the lunch hour); available for early voters who could not make it in on the weekday and stated that early voting would close on March 2, 2018.

City Clerk Fresquez advised that the declaration of candidacy was set for January 9, 2017 from 8:00-5:00 for those interested in running for any of the offices.

Councilor Howell asked City Clerk Fresquez if they would be able to provide district maps for 1 and 4, for individuals who were not sure what district they were in.

City Clerk Fresquez advised that they would provide that and added that she and the Deputy Clerk were working to include the entire district map as part of the election packets.

Councilor Casey requested from City Clerk Fresquez, the Spanish version of the 2018 Election Resolution.

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. asked if early voting would take place every Saturday.

City Clerk Fresquez advised that it would only be Saturday, February 24, 2017.

Councilor Casey made a motion to approve of Resolution No. 17-44, 2018 Election Resolution (English and Spanish).

Resolution 17-44 was presented as follows:

ELECTION RESOLUTION

CITY OF LAS VEGAS

Resolution No. 17-44

Be it resolved by the governing body of the City of Las Vegas that:

- A. A regular municipal election for the election of municipal officers shall be held on March 6, 2018. Polls will open at 7:00 A.M and close 7:00 P.M.
- B. At the regular municipal election, persons shall be elected to fill the following elective offices:

1. Ward 1 – One, (1) Councilor for a four (4) year term.

Ward 4 – One, (1) Councilor for a four (4) year term.

2. One (1) Municipal Judge for a four (4) year term.

C. In accordance with NMSA 1978 §3-8-10, the following precincts are consolidated for the regular municipal election:

CP01: Consists of precincts 27, 4B, 26, 3B, 4A, 5.2, 28, 25, 5.1, 6, 2, 7, 3A, 1, 8, 11

D. The following locations are designated as polling places for the conduct of the regular municipal election:

1. Robertson High School Michael Marr Gymnasium, 1238 4th Street
2. West Las Vegas “Gillie Lopez” Gymnasium, 157 Moreno Street

E. Absentee Voting. Applications for absentee ballots may be obtained only from the office of the Municipal Clerk. All applications for an absentee ballot must be completed and accepted by the Municipal Clerk prior to 5:00 p.m., March 2, 2018. After 5:00 p.m. on March 2, 2018, all unused absentee ballots will be publicly destroyed by the Municipal Clerk. The Municipal Clerk will accept completed absentee ballots delivered by mail, or in person by the voter casting the absentee ballot, by a member of the voters’ immediate family, or by the caregiver of the voter, until 7:00 p.m. on March 6, 2018.

Absentee ballots may be marked in person in the office of the Municipal Clerk during the regular hours and days of business, beginning on Tuesday, January 30, 2018 and closing at 5:00 p.m. on March 2, 2018.

Early Voting. Early voting on paper ballots counted by electronic vote tabulator will be conducted in the office of the Municipal Clerk during the regular hours and days of business, beginning on Wednesday, February 14, 2018 and closing at 5:00 p.m. on Friday, March 2, 2018. The City Clerk’s Office will also be open on Saturday, February 24, 2018 between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m.

F. Persons desiring to register at the regular municipal election must register with the County Clerk of San Miguel County not later than Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 5:00 p.m., the date on which the County Clerk will close registration books.

- G. All Declarations of Candidacy shall be filed with the Municipal Clerk on Tuesday, January 9, 2018 between the hours of 8:00 A.M. and 5:00 P.M.
- H. The casting of votes by qualified electors shall be recorded on electronic tabulators.

ADOPTED AND APPROVED THIS 14th day of November, 2017.

Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón

ATTEST:

Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk

RESOLUCIÓN DE ELECCIÓN

CIUDAD DE LAS VEGAS

Resolución núm. 17-44

Sea resuelto por el cuerpo gobernante de Las Vegas que:

- A. Una elección municipal regular para la elección de oficiales municipales se llevará a cabo el 6 de marzo de 2018. Lugares de votación estarán abiertas al público entre las horas de las 7:00 A.M. y las 7:00 P.M.
- B. En la elección municipal regular, individuos serán elegidos para ocupar los siguientes cargos electivos:
1. El barrio 1 – UN Concejal por un término de cuatro años.
 - El barrio 4 – UN Concejal por un término de cuatro años.
 2. UN Juez Municipal por un término de cuatro años.
- C. De conformidad NMSA 1978 §, se consolidan las siguientes casillas:
- CP01: Es compoene de distritos 27, 4B, 26, 3B, 4A, 5.2, 28, 25, 5.1, 6, 2, 7, 3A, 1, 8, 11
- D. Las siguientes ubicaciones son designadas como centros electorales para el conducto de la elección municipal:
1. Escuela Secundaria de Robertson gimnasio de Michael Marr, calle 1238 4th.
 2. Escuela Secundaria de Las Vegas Oeste gimnasio de Gillie Lopez, calle 157 Moreno.
- E. Votación en Ausencia. Solicitudes para obtener balotas para votar en ausencia pueden ser obtenidas únicamente de la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad. La Escribana

de la Municipalidad debe llevar y aceptar todas las solicitudes para obtener una balota para votar en ausencia antes de las 5:00 p.m. el 2 de marzo de 2018. A partir de las 5:00 p.m. el 2 de marzo de 2018, la Escribana de la Municipalidad públicamente destruirá todas las balotas no utilizadas. La Escribana de la Municipalidad aceptará las balotas completadas por la votante que emite su balota, con el fin de votar en ausencia, que se le entregue por correo o en persona o por un miembro de la familia inmediata del votante, o del conserje al votante hasta las 7:00 p.m. el 6 de marzo de 2018.

Las balotas para votar en ausencia se pueden marcar en persona en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad, durante las horas y días hábiles, empezando el martes, 30 de enero de 2018 y terminando a las 5:00 p.m. el viernes, 2 de marzo de 2018.

Votación por Anticipado. El recuento de los votos por anticipado, de papeleta, se llevará a cabo por un tabulador electrónico en la oficina de la Escribana de la Municipalidad, durante las horas y días hábiles, empezando el miércoles, 14 de Febrero de 2018 y terminando a las 5:00 p.m. el viernes, 2 de marzo de 2018.

- F. Las personas que deseen registrarse para votar en la elección municipal regular, tienen que registrarse con la Escribana del condado de San Miguel condado antes de el tiempo de 6 de Febrero de 2018 a Escribana del Condado cerrara los libros del registro.
- G. Se archivará todas las Declaraciones de Candidatura con la Escribana Municipal el martes, 9 de Enero de 2018 entre las horas de las 8:00 A.M. y las 5:00 P.M.
- H. Se archivará un record de los votos de los electores municipales calificados en papeletas, de las cuales se hará un recuento por tabuladores electrónicos.

Adoptada y aprobada este día 14 de Noviembre de 2017.

Alcalde

Da fe:

Escribano Municipal

Councilor Howell seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.

COUNCILOR'S REPORTS

Councilor Romero advised that after passing through 6th Street between Douglas Avenue and Grand Avenue he felt that it was in dire need of repair.

Councilor Casey stated that she understood the difficulty in scheduling and preparing information regarding Council meetings and added that sometimes they receive additional information between the Work Session and the Regular meeting. Councilor Casey stated that she would appreciate if Council members would be notified at the Work Session of any additional agenda items that were not ready for the Work Session, in order to be informed of other issues that would be dealt with at the Regular meeting.

Councilor Casey requested that her personal home address be placed on the City's website instead of the City's address due to missing out on several events.

Councilor Casey thanked Deputy Clerk Danielle Sena for her wonderful work and excellent job in transcribing the City Council Meeting minutes and advised that it was not an easy task and was impressed with her improvement. She thanked City Clerk Fresquez for giving her the guidance that she has needed along the way. Councilor Casey wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and hoped that everyone had many things to be thankful for.

Councilor Howell mentioned Code Enforcement Officer Levy Lujan needed assistance in his department when he was out or not available.

City Manager Trujillo advised that the Animal Control Officers within the Community Development Department would be assisting Mr. Lujan with investigating properties and advised Councilor Howell that he could go through the City Manager's Office with code enforcement issues and they would get the information to Community Development Department.

Councilor Howell thanked Community Development Director Renee Garcia for the recent presentation she had made to the Sunrise Kiwanis and thanked City Manager Trujillo and staff for the results of the Symposium issues being addressed. He also stated that he would like the City to help the EDC group which were working hard to bring businesses to the City and that they were needing funding to bring more people into the City of Las Vegas.

City Manager Trujillo advised that he had been in constant communication with EDC, Interim Director Mike Adams.

Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. stated that the City's right of ways on the West Side of town have many dry weeds and vacant houses that need to be addressed by Code Enforcement and wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving and thanked City employees for all they do for the City.

Mayor Gurulé-Girón stated that she was thankful for everything the City was doing and in moving the City forward and was thankful to be working with the Council and continuing to move the City forward in the best way they can. Mayor Gurulé-Girón wished everyone a happy Thanksgiving.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

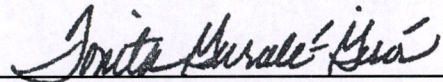
City Manager Trujillo advised that there was no need to go in to Executive Session.

ADJOURN

Councilor Casey made a motion to adjourn. Councilor Ulibarri, Jr. seconded the motion. Mayor Gurulé-Girón asked for roll call. Roll Call Vote was taken and reflected the following:

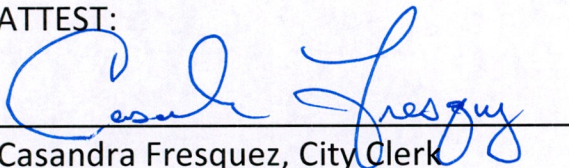
Vincent Howell	Yes	David A. Ulibarri, Jr.	Yes
Barbara A. Casey	Yes	David L. Romero	Yes

City Clerk Fresquez re-read the motion and advised that the motion carried.



Mayor Tonita Gurulé-Girón

ATTEST:



Casandra Fresquez, City Clerk